

PROCLAMATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2013 and continuing thereafter, severe storm systems affected the state of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, these storm systems caused severe weather, including heavy rains, thunderstorms, flash flooding, and flooding and this severe weather caused significant damage to public and private property and damage to waste treatment systems; and

WHEREAS, the following five (5) Iowa counties initially suffered significant damages from this event: Cedar, Johnson, Mahaska, Scott, and Washington counties; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2013, I declared a State of Disaster Emergency for the five (5) Iowa counties which initially suffered significant damages from this event and specifically ordered the following to assist the citizens of those counties: I authorized the Iowa Department of Human Services to issue individual assistance under Iowa Code § 29C.20A and 441 Iowa Admin. Code 58.2(1) and such other assistance as needed to assist those counties; and

WHEREAS, since April 19, 2013, the following three (3) Iowa counties also suffered significant damages from this same continuing event: Iowa, Lee, and Muscatine counties; and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2013, I declared a State of Disaster Emergency for the three (3) Iowa counties which also suffered significant damages from this event and specifically ordered the following to assist the citizens of those counties: I authorized the Iowa Department of Human Services to issue individual assistance under Iowa Code § 29C.20A and 441 Iowa Admin. Code 58.2(1) and such other assistance as needed to assist those counties; and

WHEREAS, since April 22, 2013, I have determined that the following fifteen (15) Iowa counties also suffered significant damages from this same continuing event: Appanoose, Clinton, Davis, Decatur, Des Moines, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lucas, Marion, Monroe, Ringgold, Van Buren, Wapello, Warren, and Wayne counties; and

WHEREAS, reports from these same fifteen (15) Iowa counties indicate that local resources and capabilities for these counties have likewise been exhausted by the broadening effects of this disaster and that state assistance and resources are also needed to respond to and recover from the effects of this event for these counties; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Department of Transportation officials in the counties affected by this disaster have conducted surveys and assessments which indicate that numerous federal-aid highways and bridges throughout the disaster area have sustained severe damage as a result of this continuing disaster; and

WHEREAS, federal law as set forth in 23 U.S.C. § 120(e) and 23 CFR § 668.101 authorizes emergency relief funding for the repair or reconstruction of federal-aid routes and bridges that have suffered severe damage over a wide area as a result of a natural disaster, if the Governor of the affected state issues a proclamation of disaster emergency in respect to those damages; and

WHEREAS, these continuing serious conditions threaten the public peace, health, and safety of citizens of the State of Iowa and have damaged and destroyed public and private property in these counties. Because of this, they provide legal justification for the issuance of an Proclamation of Disaster Emergency, pursuant to Iowa Code § 29C.6(1).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TERRY E. BRANSTAD, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the power and authority vested in me by the Iowa Constitution Art. IV, §§ 1, 8 and Iowa Code § 29C.6(1), and all other applicable laws, do hereby proclaim a State of Disaster Emergency for the following fifteen (15) Iowa counties: Appanoose, Clinton, Davis, Decatur, Des Moines, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lucas, Marion, Monroe, Ringgold, Van Buren, Wapello, Warren, and Wayne counties, and do hereby further **ORDER** and **DIRECT** the following:

SECTION ONE. As required by Iowa Code § 29C.6(1),(10) and 42 U.S.C. § 5170 in cases of Presidential Disaster Declarations, this Proclamation of Disaster Emergency activates the disaster response and recovery aspect of the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department's Iowa Emergency Response Plan and those additional response plans applicable to the additional counties affected by this disaster and authorizes the use and deployment of all available state resources, supplies, equipment, and materials as are reasonably necessary to assist those citizens located in the additional disaster counties.

SECTION TWO. I authorize the Iowa Department of Human Services under the terms and conditions as allowed by Iowa law to render individual disaster assistance to eligible residents of the counties affected by this disaster. Iowa Code § 29C.20A and 441 Iowa Admin. Code 58.2(1).

SECTION THREE. I hereby declare this Proclamation of Disaster Emergency for the specific purpose of obtaining federal emergency relief funding for federal-aid highways and bridges in the disaster counties that have suffered severe damage to federal-aid highways and bridges. 23 U.S.C. § 120(e) and 23 CFR § 668.101.

SECTION FOUR. This proclamation of disaster emergency is effective May 6, 2013, shall continue in effect for sixty (60) days, and expire on July 5, 2013, unless I sooner terminate or extend it in writing. Iowa Code § 29C.6(1).

SECTION FIVE. The proclamations of disaster emergency I issued on April, 19, 2013 and April 22, 2013 are hereby extended until July 5, 2013, unless I sooner terminate or extend them in writing. Iowa Code § 29C.6(1).

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed at Des Moines, Iowa this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Thirteen.

TERRY E. BRANSTAD
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

ATTEST:

MATT SCHULTZ
SECRETARY OF STATE